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Issuance of Multiple Prescriptions for Schedule II Controlled Substances

The Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) has issued a final rule, effective December 19, 2007, amending DEA regulations to allow practitioners to provide an individual patient with multiple prescriptions for a specific Schedule II controlled substance, written on the same date, to be filled sequentially. The change allows patients to receive over time up to a 90-day supply of the prescribed controlled substance. The Controlled Substances Act does not permit the refilling of Schedule II controlled substances; a new prescription must be issued for each quantity of the substance.